# Mountain Weather Forecast

## Southwest Highlands

Including Ben Nevis, Glen Coe and the rest of Lochaber, Argyll including the Isles, Loch Lomond, Trossachs and Arran
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Sunday 13 Mar 2022 until 23:59 on Monday 14 Mar 2022

Forecast Issued on Saturday 12 Mar 2022 at 15:14 by Met Office Aberdeen

**Confidence:** High for changeable weather into midweek. Low for timing of low cloud clearance on Sunday, and extent of showery precipitation in the afternoon. Low for timing of clearance of precipitation on Monday and Wednesday.

**Headline for Sunday 13 Mar 2022:** Cloudy morning with some rain and snow, drier and brighter afternoon. Windy.

**Mountain weather hazards on Sunday 13 Mar 2022**

**Blizzards**
Low Likelihood

**Gales**
High Likelihood

**Thunderstorms**
No Likelihood

**Heavy persistent snow**
Low Likelihood

**Severe chill effect**
High Likelihood

**Heavy persistent rain**
No Likelihood

**Storm force winds**
Low Likelihood

**Poor visibility**
Medium Likelihood

**Strong sunlight**
Low Likelihood

| Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Time | | | | | | | |
| 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 |
| | | | | | | | |
| Heavy snow | Heavy snow | Heavy snow | Heavy snow | Sunny intervals | Sleet showers | Partly cloudy (night) | Partly cloudy (night) |
| Precipitation probability | | | | | | | |
| 00% | 60% | 50% | 40% | 20% | 30% | 20% | 20% |

**Forecast for Sunday 13 Mar 2022**

**Weather:** Cloudy in the morning with some patchy snow above 800 to 1000 metres, rain at lower levels. Risk of blizzard like conditions in the early hours on the higher tops. Some uncertainty into the extent of the precipitation but more eastern areas of Argyll and southern Lochaber most likely to see the most persistent rain or snow. Brighter and drier weather will spread north by afternoon but still with a few showers, falling as snow above 900 metres. Becoming drier by evening.

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 40% in the morning, 60% in the afternoon. No one particular area favoured with cloud varying in amounts through the day.

**Low Cloud and visibility:** Poor in any morning snow and low cloud down to 500 metres. Otherwise improving generally good by afternoon with low cloud lifting and breaking from the south. Areas of cloud down to 700 metres in the afternoon, this most likely towards western coastal ranges. Some capping cloud likely on the highest tops.

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**Forecast for Sunday 13 Mar 2022**

| Height (m) | Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) | | | | | Wind Direction (blowing from) | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | 49/61 SE | 47/60 SE | 50/64 SE | 52/67 SE | 53/68 SE | 47/61 SE | 43/57 SE | 40/53 S | 37/49 S |
| **900** | 34/45 SE | 33/45 SE | 36/49 SE | 37/50 SE | 38/52 SE | 33/48 SE | 31/44 SE | 30/43 S | 28/40 S |
| **600** | 44/55 SE | 41/52 SE | 42/55 SE | 41/54 SE | 42/55 SE | 36/49 SE | 36/48 SE | 34/46 S | 31/42 S |
| **300** | 24/36 SE | 22/34 SE | 24/37 SE | 23/36 SE | 25/40 SE | 21/34 SE | 21/34 SE | 19/32 S | 19/31 S |
| **Glen** | 13/30 SE | 14/30 SE | 16/33 SE | 17/35 SE | 20/39 SE | 17/34 SE | 15/32 SE | 15/31 S | 13/28 S |

| Height (m) | Temperature / Feels Like (°C) | | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 00:00 | 03:00 | 06:00 | 09:00 | 12:00 | 15:00 | 18:00 | 21:00 | 00:00 |
| **1300** | -3/-13 | -3/-13 | -2/-13 | -2/-13 | -2/-12 | -1/-11 | -2/-11 | -2/-11 | -2/-11 |
| **900** | 0/-8 | 0/-8 | 0/-8 | 0/-8 | 2/-7 | 2/-6 | 1/-6 | 1/-6 | 1/-7 |
| **600** | 3/-4 | 3/-4 | 3/-4 | 3/-5 | 4/-3 | 5/-2 | 4/-3 | 4/-3 | 3/-4 |
| **300** | 5/-1 | 4/-1 | 5/-1 | 5/-0 | 7/2 | 8/3 | 6/2 | 6/1 | 5/1 |
| **Glen** | 7/3 | 6/3 | 7/3 | 7/3 | 10/6 | 10/6 | 8/5 | 8/4 | 7/4 |
| **Freezing Level*** | 900m | 900m | 900m | 900m | 1000m | 1100m | 1100m | 1100m | 1000m |

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

**Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View**

Very windy on the tops with severe gales, or even storm force winds especially towards the west coast. Bitterly cold in the wind, especially under cloud cover. Despite some afternoon sunshine conditions may quickly worsen if any showers pass by.

**Forecast for Monday 14 Mar 2022**

**Weather:** Mostly cloudy with outbreaks of rain, snow above 1000 metres. Turning dry and clearer from the west later in the afternoon but some uncertainty in the timing of this.

**Maximum wind:** Westerly 25 to 35 mph

**Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m:** 30%, best chance later afternoon onwards

**Low Cloud and visibility:** Poor in low cloud which will be widespread, bases down to 700 metres. Improving excellent once cloud clears later in the day.

**Temperature:** **Glens:** Plus 4 rising to 9 Celsius
**At 800m:** Plus 2 falling to zero Celsius
**Freezing level:** 1200 metres falling to 800 metres by evening

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